

PROCEEDINGS OF THE LAFAYETTE PUBLIC UTILITIES AUTHORITY OF THE CITY-PARISH OF LAFAYETTE, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN AT A REGULAR MEETING OF APRIL 8, 2003.

ATTENDANCE

COUNCIL: Rob Stevenson (Chair), Marc Mouton (Vice Chair), Chris Williams, Louis C. Benjamin, Jr., Jerry Trumps

ABSENT: None

COUNCIL STAFF: Norma Dugas (Clerk), Veronica Williams, (Assistant Clerk), Monica Fontenot (Administrative Assistant)

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF: Steve Dupuis (City-Parish Attorney), Terry Huval (Utilities), Becky Lalumia (Director of Finance), Benny Soulier (Director of Administrative Services), Tony Tramel (Director of Traffic & Transportation)

COMMENCEMENT

(TAPE 1)(SIDE A)(001)AGENDA ITEM NO. 1: Call to order.

Chair Rob Stevenson called the Lafayette Public Utilities Authority Meeting of April 8, 2003 to order.

EXECUTIVE/PRESIDENT'S REPORT

(TAPE 1)(SIDE A)(003)AGENDA ITEM NO. 2: President's Report.
No report was given

(TAPE 1)(SIDE A)(005)AGENDA ITEM NO. 3: LUS Director's Report.
No report was given

RESOLUTIONS

(TAPE 1)(SIDE A)(010)AGENDA ITEM NO. 4: R-001-2003(LPUA) A resolution of the Lafayette Public Utilities Authority providing for the giving of a notice of intention to establish, acquire, construct, improve, extend and maintain a sewer system within a portion of Consolidated Sewerage District of the City of Lafayette, State of Louisiana, describing in a general way the manner of payment therefor, providing for the hearing of any objections to the proposed improvements and the manner of payment therefor, and providing for other matters in connection therewith. (Holiday Gardens Subdivision) A motion to approve by Mouton, seconded by Trumps, and the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Williams, Benjamin, Trumps, Mouton, Stevenson

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

RECUSED: None

Motion was approved.

Terry Huval, Director of Utilities, explained this resolution is part of the sewer assessment process that LUS is required to conduct. LUS is required to follow state law protocol each time new property is acquired. The protocol is based upon a new assessment required for the customer's contribution of the new system in place. It is required by state law to return to the Council and the LPUA with each step that is taken throughout the entire process. The total cost of the project is \$1.9 million with customer participation cost of approximately \$685,000.

Upon questioning by Benjamin, Huval confirmed that Aurora Park Subdivision, which is located adjacent to Holiday Gardens Subdivision, is not in the city limits but the residents do receive water and sewer services. This project was done in the late 1970's and is not consistent with LUS's current policies. These residents pay a higher rate for the services. Huval continued by saying there are some remaining areas within the city that are still being serviced by a private sewer entity. There has been some interest expressed in LUS providing sewer service to these customers but the private sewer company still wishes to maintain the service to the customers.

Williams expressed interest in residents who reside in the city limits that currently do not have sewer and requested information be forwarded regarding same. Jerry Carroll, Chief Civil Engineer, committed to providing the information. Huval also confirmed the Holiday Gardens project has not been a profitable project but it was an issue of public health and safety.

INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCES

(TAPE 1)(SIDE A)(217)AGENDA ITEM NO. 5: O-014-2003(LPUA) An ordinance of the Lafayette Public Utilities Authority authorizing the acquisition of certain land from Edmond P. LeBlanc, Jr., for the expansion of a Lafayette Utilities System Sewer Lift Station Site. A motion to approve for introduction by Mouton, seconded by Trumps, and the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Williams, Benjamin, Trumps, Mouton, Stevenson

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

RECUSED: None

Motion was approved

(TAPE 1)(SIDE A)(230)AGENDA ITEM NO. 6: Comments from the public on the above introductory ordinances.

None

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

(TAPE 1)(SIDE A)(232)AGENDA ITEM NO. 6: Comments from the public on other matters.

No speakers

ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the LPUA, Chair Stevenson declared the Regular LPUA meeting adjourned.

Norma A. Dugas
Clerk of the Council